## (II) A FEE OF \$2,000.

- (3) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL OF A PERSON'S STATUS AS AN INCULPABLE PERSON EXPIRES IF THE APPLICATION, INCLUDING ANY APPLICABLE FEES, REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IS NOT FILED WITHIN 6 MONTHS AFTER THE APPROVAL OF A PERSON'S STATUS AS AN INCULPABLE PERSON.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, an inculpable person is not liable for existing contamination at the eligible property.
  - (c) An inculpable person shall be liable for:
- (1) New contamination that the person causes or contributes to at the eligible property; and
- (2) Exacerbation of existing contamination at the eligible property.7-506.
  - (a) To participate in the Program, an applicant shall:
- (1) Submit an application, on a form provided by the Department, that includes:
- (i) Information demonstrating to the satisfaction of the Department that the contamination did not result from the applicant knowingly or willfully violating any law or regulation concerning controlled hazardous substances;
- (ii) Information demonstrating the person's status as a responsible person or an inculpable person;
- (iii) Information demonstrating that the property is an eligible property as defined in § 7-501 of this subtitle;
- (iv) A detailed report with all available relevant information on environmental conditions including contamination at the eligible property known to the applicant at the time of the application;
  - (v) 1. An environmental site assessment that includes:
- A. 1. [established] ESTABLISHED Phase I [and Phase II] site assessment standards and follows principles established by the American Society for Testing and Materials and that demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Department that the assessment has [adequately investigated all potential sources and areas of contamination] BEEN CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THOSE STANDARDS AND PRINCIPLES; AND
- B. 2. A PHASE II SITE ASSESSMENT IF UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT CONCLUDES, AFTER REVIEW OF THE PHASE I SITE ASSESSMENT, ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS SUBMITTED DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, AND INFORMATION IN THE DEPARTMENT'S FILES, THAT THERE IS SUFFICIENT